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Application of: Beat MOLLET et al.

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For: NOVEL STRAINS OF THE BACILLUS
SUBTILIS GROUP FOR FOOD FERMENTATION

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Sir:

Pursuant to applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, enclosed are copies of five (5) references for the Examiner's review and consideration. These references are listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that these references be made of record in this application by the Examiner's completion and return of the PTO Form 1449.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 126 1.17(p), a fee of \$180 is believed to be due for the filing of this statement as it is being submitted after the issuance of the first office action for this application. Please charge the required fee to Winston & Strawn Deposit Account No. 501-814.

Respectfully submitted,

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